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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE GROUP 2500 *11/8*

Applicants: Sandra D. Anderson )  
Serial No.: 08/696,987 ) Group Art Unit: 3311 *NE*  
Filed: November 4, 1996 ) Examiner: S. Huang  
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE )  
PROVOCATION OF AIR PASSAGE )  
NARROWING AND/OR THE )  
INDUCTION OF SPUTUM )

AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents

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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Office Action  
mailed on September 12, 1997.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for attempting to provoke airway narrowing  
[of the upper or lower airways] in a subject comprising the steps of (a) causing  
the subject to inhale into [the] subject's airways an effective amount of a  
substance capable of altering the osmolarity of airway surface liquid in the  
subject, which substance is in the form of a dispersible dry powder containing  
an effective proportion of particles of a respirable size, and (b) measuring in the  
subject a parameter indicative of the resistance to air flow of the subject's  
airways.